

Board Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2020

A meeting of the Alabama Board for Registration of Architects was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the RSA Union Building in Montgomery.

Members Present: Daniel D. Bennett, Chair; Michael L. Chapman, Vice-Chair; Jimmy H. Seay, Jr., Member; Nolanda Hatcher, Member; Emily Coe, Member; and Sted McCollough, Member.

Staff: Paula McCaleb, Executive Director; Debbie Whitman, Legal Research Assistant; and John Selden, Assistant Attorney General.

Ex-Officio Member: Scott Pilgreen, State Fire Marshal.

Chair Bennett called the meeting to order at 10:19 a.m. and declared that a quorum was present in the following Members: Mr. Chapman; Mr. Seay; Mr. McCollough; and Chair Bennett. Ms. Hatcher and Ms. Coe joined the meeting by teleconference while in route to the meeting and physically joined the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

The meeting was advertised on the Secretary of State's web site and the Board's web site in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Motion 2020-13: Mr. Seay moved that the Consent Agenda, including the Minutes from the January 28, 2020 Board Meeting, be approved as presented. Mr. Chapman seconded. Motion carried with all in favor (Mr. Seay, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. Coe, Mr. McCollough, and Chair Bennett.)

Mr. Ryan Misner spoke to the Board regarding the development of an Architectural Program at Samford University.

Motion 2020-14: Mr. Seay moved to approve the amendment to Rule 100-X-2-.09 – Emeritus Status Architects as submitted. Mr. McCollough seconded. Motion carried with all in favor (Mr. Seay, Mr. McCollough, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. Coe, Mr. Chapman, and Chair Bennett.) *Note: Rule amendment language as voted on attached to official Minutes.*

Motion 2020-15: Mr. Seay moved to waive this year's CE Audit due to the Pandemic. Mr. McCollough seconded. Motion carried with all in favor (Mr. Seay, Mr. McCollough, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. Coe, Mr. Chapman, and Chair Bennett.)

Motion 2020-16: Chairman Bennett nominated Michael Chapman for the position of Chairman to begin October 1, 2020. Mr. Seay seconded. Motion carried with all in favor (Mr. Seay, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. Coe, Mr. McCollough, Mr. Chapman, and Chair Bennett.)

Motion 2020-17: Mr. Seay nominated Nolanda Hatcher for the position of Vice Chair to begin October 1, 2020. Mr. McCollough seconded. Motion carried with all in favor (Mr. Seay, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. Coe, Mr. McCollough, Mr. Chapman, and Chair Bennett.)

Chairman Bennett requested that the Minutes reflect the Board's appreciation to Paula McCaleb, Debbie Whitman, and Elizabeth Bern for their good work that resulted in a successful legal compliance audit report.

Chairman Bennett presented Debbie Whitman with a Plaque of Appreciation in celebration of her ten (10) years of service to the Board.

The time being 12:33 p.m. and there being no further business, Chair Bennett adjourned the meeting and announced that the next currently scheduled meeting of the Board would be held on November 18, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted:

Daniel D. Bennett, *Chair*

Michael L. Chapman, *Vice Chair*

Paula McCaleb, *Executive Director*
(serving as Recorder)

Amendment to Rule 100-X-2-.09:

100-X-2-.09 Emeritus Status Architects.

- (1) An architect may apply for emeritus status if he or she meets the following criteria:
 - (a) The applicant is ~~over~~ 65 years of age or older; and
 - (b) The applicant has been registered in this state for ten (10) consecutive years or longer;
 - (c) The applicant is retired from the active practice of architecture. "Retired" means the architect no longer seals documents or practices architecture as defined by §34-2-320 (3) and (4), Code of Ala. 1975.
 - (2) If all requirements are met, the architect shall be granted emeritus status. An individual granted emeritus status may use the title "Emeritus Architect" on any letter, title, sign, card or device. If an emeritus architect wishes to return to the active practice of architecture, he or she may do so by submitting the renewal fee, current renewal application form, and current year's continuing education hours required by regulation.
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